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1 Collaborative Virtual Design Environments: Expert Finding for Collaborative Virtual Environments

Mark Maybury, Ray D'Amore, David House

December 2001 **Communications of the ACM**, Volume 44, issue 12Full text available: pdf (219.62 KB) html (50 KB) Additional information: full citation, references, citing, index terms**2 Web mining: Ranking user's relevance to a topic through link analysis on web logs**

Jidong Wang, Zheng Chen, Li Tao, Wei-Ying Ma, Liu Wenyin

November 2002 **Proceedings of the 4th international workshop on Web Information and data management**Full text available: pdf (10.22 KB)

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Computing the web-user's relevance to a give topic is an important task for any personalization service on the Web. Since the interest and preference of a web-user are revealed in his Web browsing history, in this paper we develop a novel approach that utilizes web logs to compute the relevance of a web-user to a given query. In contrast to traditional methods that are purely based on textual analysis, our approach calculates the web-user's relevance through link analysis under a unified framework.

Keywords: link analysis, web mining, web usage mining**3 Foster's Expertise community selection**

Raymond D'Amore

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Providing knowledge workers with access to experts and communities-of-practice is central to sharing expertise and crucial to organizational performance, adaptation, and even survival. This paper covers ongoing research to develop an Expert Locator prototype, a model-based system for detecting experts and broader communities-of-practice. The underlying expertise model is extensible and supports aggregation of evidence across diverse sources. The prototype is being used to locate critical experts.

Keywords: distributed retrieval, expert finding, expertise model, fusion**4 Applications and architecture: SHOCK: communication with computational messages and automatic private profiles**

Rajan M. Lukose, Eytan Adar, Joshua R. Tyler, Caesar Sengupta

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A computationally enhanced message contains some embedded programmatic components that are interpreted and executed automatically upon receipt. Unlike ordinary text email or instant messages, they make possible a number of useful applications. In this paper, we describe a general and flexible messaging system called SHOCK that extends the functionality of prior computational email systems by allowing XML-encoded SHOCK messages to interact with an automatically created profile of a user. These pr...

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David W. McDonald

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This work explores how information systems can be augmented to assist users in finding other individuals who are likely to have specialized, expert information that they need. This paper describes a field study that considers the social and cognitive mechanisms that people use to find candidate sources of expertise. These mechanisms are the basis for a recommender system that can help users find expertise.

Keywords: computer supported cooperative work, expertise, field study, qualitative research, recommender system, system design**6 WWW mining: Graph-based ranking algorithms for e-mail expertise analysis**

Byron Dom, Iris Eiron, Alex Cozzi, Yi Zhang

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In this paper we study graph-based ranking measures for the purpose of using them to rank email correspondents according to their degree of expertise on subjects of interest. While this complete expertise analysis consists of several steps, in this paper we focus on the analysis of digraphs whose nodes correspond to correspondents (people), whose edges correspond to the existence of email correspondence between the people corresponding to the nodes they connect and whose edge directions point to...

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1 Expertise recommender: a flexible recommendation system and architecture

David W. McDonald, Mark S. Ackerman

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Locating the expertise necessary to solve difficult problems is a nuanced social and collaborative problem. In organizations, some people assist others in locating expertise by making referrals. People who make referrals fill key organizational roles that have been identified by CSCW and affiliated research. Expertise locating systems are not designed to replace people who fill these key organizational roles. Instead, expertise locating systems attempt to decrease workload and support people ...

Keywords: CSCW, collaborative filtering, computer-supported cooperative work, expert locators, expertise finding, expertise location, information seeking, recommendation systems

2 Session 6: Evaluating expertise recommendations

David W. McDonald

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Finding a person who has the expertise to solve a specific problem is an important application of recommender systems to a difficult organizational problem. Prior systems have made attempts to implement solutions to this problem, but few systems have undergone systematic user evaluation. This work describes a systematic evaluation of the Expertise Recommender (ER), a system that recommends people who are likely to have expertise in a specific problem, ER and the organizational context for which ...

Keywords: CSCW, computer-supported cooperative work, expertise location, recommendation systems, user evaluation

3 Social networking: Studying the effect of similarity in online task-focused interactions

Dan Cosley, Pamela Ludford, Loren Terveen

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Although the Internet provides powerful tools for social interactions, many tasks—for example, information-seeking—are undertaken as solitary activities. Information seekers are unaware of the invisible crowd traveling in parallel to their course through the information landscape. Social navigation systems attempt to make the invisible crowd visible, while social recommender systems try to introduce people directly. However, it is not clear whether users desire or will respond to social cues and ...

Keywords: community, demographics, friendship, matchmaking, recommender systems, similarity, social navigation

4 Knowledge Management: Information seeking and sharing in design teams

Steven Pollock, Jonathan Grudin, Susan Dumais, Raya Fidel, Harry Bruce, Annelise Mark Pejtersen

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Information retrieval is generally considered an individual activity, and information retrieval research and tools reflect this view. As digitally mediated communication and information sharing increase, collaborative information retrieval merits greater attention and support. We describe field studies of information gathering in two design teams that had very different products, disciplinary backgrounds, and tools. We found striking similarities in the kinds of information they sought and the m ...

Keywords: collaborative design, collaborative information retrieval

5 Social networks and trust: Searching social networks

Bin Yu, Munindar P. Singh

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A referral system is a multiagent system whose member agents are capable of giving and following referrals. The specific cases of interest arise where each agent has a user. The agents cooperate by giving and taking referrals so each can better help its user locate relevant information. This use of referrals mimics human interactions and can potentially lead to greater effectiveness and efficiency than in single-agent systems. Existing approaches consider what referrals may be given and treat the ...

Keywords: knowledge management, referral systems, social networks

6 Technical papers: Software understanding: Human recommendation patterns: software development artifacts

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